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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 December 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 4,5,10,11,16 and 17 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) 1,6,7,12 and 13,18 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 2,3,8,9,14 and 15 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

1. **Claims 1, 6, 7, 12, 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Matsunsami (US 20020031200).**

As to claim 1, Matsunsami teaches a mail server for delivering to a mobile communication terminal electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal (figure 2, 4, 6 and paragraph 031, 039, 053), comprising:

recording means for recording an address identified by said mobile communication terminal as a recorded address;

comparing means for comparing a transmission source address in an electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal with said recorded address recorded by said recording means; and

delivery means which, when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed by said comparing means, deliver electronic mail comprising this transmission source address repeatedly to said mobile communication terminal.

As to claim 6, Matsunsami teaches a mobile communication terminal for receiving electronic mail delivered from a mail server (figure 2, 4, 6 and paragraph 0031, 0039, 0053), comprising:

- recording means for recording an inputted address as a recorded address; and
- automatic opening means which, when a transmission source address in an electronic mail received from said mail server matches the recorded address recorded by said third-recording means, automatically opens said electronic mail comprising this transmission source address.

As to claim 7, Matsunsami teaches a mail server for delivering to a mobile communication terminal electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal (figure 2, 4, 6 and paragraph 0031, 0039, 0053), comprising:

- a recording device configured to record an address identified by said mobile communication terminal as a recorded address;

- a comparing device configured to compare a transmission source address in an electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal with said recorded address recorded by said recording device; and

- a delivery device which, when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed by said comparing device, deliver electronic mail comprising this transmission source address repeatedly to said mobile communication terminal.

As to claim 12, Matsunsami teaches a mobile communication terminal for receiving electronic mail delivered from a mail server (figure 2, 4, 6 and paragraph 0031, 0039, 0053), comprising:

a recorder configured to record an inputted address as a recorded address; and
an automatic opening device which, when a transmission source address in an electronic mail received from said mail server matches the recorded address recorded by said recording device, automatically opens said electronic mail comprising this transmission source address.

As to claim 13, Matsunsami teaches a method for delivering from a mail server to a mobile communication terminal electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal (figure 2, 4, 6 and paragraph 0031, 0039, 0053), comprising:

recording an address identified by said mobile communication terminal as a recorded address;

comparing a transmission source address in an electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal with said recorded address recorded in said recording step; and

when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed in said comparing step, delivering electronic mail comprising this transmission source address repeatedly to said mobile communication terminal.

As to claim 18, Matsunsami teaches a method for receiving at a mobile communication terminal electronic mail delivered from a mail server (figure 2, 4, 6 and paragraph 0031, 0039, 0053), comprising:

recording an inputted address as a recorded address; and

when a transmission source address in an electronic mail received from said mail server matches the recorded address recorded in said recording step, automatically opening said electronic mail comprising this transmission source address.

2. Claims 1, 6, 7, 12, 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Zirnstien (US 2004/00019643).

As to claim 1, Zirnstien teaches a mail server for delivering to a mobile communication terminal electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal (figure 1, 14A, B), comprising:

recording means for recording an address identified by said mobile communication terminal as a recorded address;

comparing means for comparing a transmission source address in an electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal with said recorded address recorded by said recording means; and

delivery means which, when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed by said comparing means, deliver electronic mail comprising this transmission source address repeatedly to said mobile communication terminal.

As to claim 6, Zirnstein teaches a mobile communication terminal for receiving electronic mail delivered from a mail server (figure 1, 14A, B), comprising:

- recording means for recording an inputted address as a recorded address; and
- automatic opening means which, when a transmission source address in an electronic mail received from said mail server matches the recorded address recorded by said third-recording means, automatically opens said electronic mail comprising this transmission source address.

As to claim 7, Zirnstein teaches a mail server for delivering to a mobile communication terminal electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal (figure 1, 14A, B), comprising:

- a recording device configured to record an address identified by said mobile communication terminal as a recorded address;

- a comparing device configured to compare a transmission source address in an electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal with said recorded address recorded by said recording device; and

- a delivery device which, when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed by said comparing device, deliver electronic mail comprising this transmission source address repeatedly to said mobile communication terminal.

As to claim 12, Zirnstein teaches a mobile communication terminal for receiving electronic mail delivered from a mail server (figure 1, 14A, B), comprising:

- a recorder configured to record an inputted address as a recorded address; and

an automatic opening device which, when a transmission source address in an electronic mail received from said mail server matches the recorded address recorded by said recording device, automatically opens said electronic mail comprising this transmission source address.

As to claim 13, Zirnstien teaches a method for delivering from a mail server to a mobile communication terminal electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal (figure 1, 14A, B), comprising:

recording an address identified by said mobile communication terminal as a recorded address;

comparing a transmission source address in an electronic mail addressed to said mobile communication terminal with said recorded address recorded in said recording step; and

when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed in said comparing step, delivering electronic mail comprising this transmission source address repeatedly to said mobile communication terminal.

As to claim 18, Zirnstien teaches a method for receiving at a mobile communication terminal electronic mail delivered from a mail server (figure 1, 14A, B), comprising:

recording an inputted address as a recorded address; and

when a transmission source address in an electronic mail received from said mail server matches the recorded address recorded in said recording step, automatically opening said electronic mail comprising this transmission source address.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 14, 15 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 4, 5, 10, 11, 16, 17 are allowed.

As to claims 2, 3, 8, 9, 14, 15, the teaching of above prior art fails further comprising said delivery means delivers electronic mail comprising a transmission source address which matches said recorded address repeatedly at the redelivery interval recorded for said recorded address which matches said transmission source address in the comparison performed by said comparing means.

As to claims 4, 5, 10, 11, 16, 17, the teaching of above prior art fails further comprising identification information attachment means which, when said recorded address and said transmission source address match according to the comparison performed by said comparing means, attach to an electronic mail comprising this transmission source address automatic opening identification information serving as a trigger for implementing processing to cause said mobile communication terminal to automatically open the electronic mail upon reception of the electronic mail.

Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

A. Taniguchi et al (US 2002/0013869) teaches data output system, mobile terminal,... data putput program.

B. Takahashi et al (UA 2002/0137539) teaches communication terminal ..sender in the same.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DANH C. LE whose telephone number is 571-272-7868. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00AM-5:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, WILLIAM TROST can be reached on 571-272-7872. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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